

## Stay Safe this Monsoon Season

Your City - County Staff are Working to Protect the Community

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With monsoon season in full swing, Flagstaff Water Services wants you to know that safety is our top priority. Protecting homes, businesses, livelihoods, and critical infrastructure through proactive maintenance is a year-round effort. While the City works on strategic improvements to ensure long-term safety, we ask the community to follow these safety measures during extreme flood events.

## Are you prepared to stay safe?

- Keep your distance from flash flood flows. Surges in flows can easily sweep
  people, particularly children, off their feet. Do not get close to the flood water
  and never try to cross it.
- Remove debris from your property. If you are able, move debris from your
  property onto the street so County and City Public Works crews can sweep it
  with their heavy equipment.
- Utilize sandbags for flood protection. A self-fill sandbag station is available for pick-up at Coconino County Health and Human Services, 2625 King Street. A new sandbag station has been established at the south parking lot of Coconino High School located at 2801 N Izabel. Please be sure that your sandbags are not negatively impacting your neighbors. Review these resources to properly install your sandbags.
- Water Services Staff member clears debris from a storm drain to improve street
- **Do not park cars on streets where flood debris is present**. On Streets prone to severe flooding, parked cars can prevent sandbags from doing their job protecting your property.
- **Be prepared for more rain.** Be alert and ready to shelter in place if necessary. Keep your phones charged and assemble an Emergency Kit, packed with water, food, medications.
- **Track the weather.** Follow the latest Museum Fire scar weather conditions and National Weather Service notifications at Weather.gov/fgz/MuseumFireFloodRisk.
- Sign up for emergency alerts: Coconino.az.gov/ready. Or email updates at museumfloodinfo@coconino.az.gov.
- Museum Flood Area Call Center: Hours of operation may shift depending on weather events. The phone number is (928) 679-8525.
- Sign up for targeted alerts of potential flood risk in your neighborhood at: Flagstaffaz.gov/rainalerts.
- Talk to the Stormwater Section (928) 213-2472 about protecting your house or business from flood damage.
- Report any water quality concerns or wastewater issues to Water Services Staff (928) 774-0262.

## We are in this together!